State Bank of India visited Portugal from 13th to 16th May, 1990. During the visit, the banks have finalised and initialled a draft agreement which would facilitate the handing over of these ornaments and other safe custody articles by BNU, Lisbon, to State Bank of India.

Irrigation projects from Orissa pending clearance

430. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of irrigation projects from Orissa are pending for approval;

(b) if so, since when these projects are pending and what are the reasons for not approving them so far and by. when these projects are likely to be approved; and

(c) the amount involved in these projects, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) to (c) the information about date of receipt, appraisal status and estimated cost of Major and Medium projects is given in the enclosed statement, *(see below)* The State Government has to comply with observations of the Appraising agencies to secure clearance.

Statement

*Statement of Appraisal of Major , and Medium Irrigation Projects of Orissa*

| Sl. NO | Name of Project | Estimated Cost (Rs. crores) | Date of Receipt | Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | (A) MAJOR PROJECT | | |
| 1. | Ong Dam Project | 80.34 | 12/88 | The State govt, has to sort out irrigation planning, construction material and environment aspects. |
| 2. | Lower Suktel | 102.59 | 12/88 | The State has to sort out irrigation planning, dam design, foundation engineering cost estimates, plant planning, canel designs, financial, environmental and forest aspects. |
| 3. | Naraj Barrage | 90.30 | 8/89 | The State has to sort out irrigation planning, foundation engineering, cost estimates, plant planning, financial, flood control, canel designs, hydrological gates and designs, environment and forest aspects. |
| 4. | Kanupur irrigation Project | 147.31 | 6/89 | The State has to sort out cost estimate, plant planning and financial aspects. |
| 5. | Subarnarekha irrigation project | 488.88 | 1/89 | The State has to sort out cost estimates, financial, plant planning and irrigation planning aspects. |

| Sl. No. | Name of Proje ct | Estimated Cost (Rs. crores) | Date of Receipt | Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | (b) MEDIUM PROJECTS | | |
| 1. | Manjore project irrigation | 24.02 | 3/89 | The State has to comply with observations of Central Appraising Agencies on various technical aspect. |
| 2. | Pet irrigation project | 24.86 | 12/88 | —do— |
| 3. | Katra irrigation project | 29.22 | 9/89 | -do_ |
| 4. | Jeera irrigation project | 24.61 | 8/88 | do- |
| 5. | Baghalati irrigation project | 12.49 | 7/87 | The State govt, has to submit an updated estimate of cost. |
| 6. | Upper Lanth | 19.50 | 3/90 | The project has been received recently. |
| 7. | Telengir irrigation project | 36.25 | 5/90 | do- |
| 8. | Kutuli Sinha irrigation project | 9.54 | 6/90 | do- |
| 9. | Dhauragoth | 9.38 | 7/90 | do |

**Allocation of fund for the development of tourism in Assam**

431. **DR.** NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Assam Government has submitted some proposals for development of tourism in the State;

(b) whether the Central Government have allocated necessary amount for the same; and

(c) if so, what is the amount that has been sanctioned for the purpose and if no amount has been sanctioned, what are the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK): (a) to (c) The following schemes have been prioritised for the State of Assam for the year 1990-91 in consultation with the State Government:—

1. Yatri Niwas at Guwahati.
2. Tourist Complex at Kaziranga.
3. Wayside facilities at Jakhalbanda.
4. Trekking equipment for Braulch •Hills.

Sanction is issued for an amount of Rs. 14.81 lakhs for a Tourist Complex at Kaziranga National Park. However, other projects with detailed estimates are awaited from the State Government.

**Transfer of Justice Mishra from Patna High Court to Madras High Court**

432. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sudden transfer of Hon. Justice Mishra from Patna High Court to Madras High Court is likely to affect the seniority of the judges in the Madras High Court; and

(b) what is Central Government's reaction to the protest by the' Bar Association and the serving Judges